

1. Official City Meetings Scheduled the Week of November 12, 2012:

- City Council meeting, Tuesday, November 13, 7:30 p.m. in the Auditorium
- Tree Commission meeting, Tuesday, November 13, 6:30 p.m. in the Lilac Room
- Facade Advisory Board meeting, Tuesday, November 13, 7:30 p.m. in the Hydrangea Room
- Nuclear-Free Takoma Park Committee meeting, Tuesday, November 13, 7:30 p.m. in the Azalea Room
- Board of Elections meeting, Thursday, November 15, 7:30 p.m. in the Council Conference Room

All meetings are held in the Community Center, 7500 Maple Avenue, and are open to the public unless noted otherwise. (City Clerk)

2. Veterans Day Closings: The Veterans Day Holiday is observed on Monday, November 12 this year. On Saturday, Nov. 11, the Library will be open but the Community Center and Computer Center will be closed. On Monday, Nov. 12, City offices will be closed, as will the Library and Community Center. However, Montgomery County Public Schools will be open. Morning Addition and the Afternoon Addition/Fun Day programs will take place as usual. Parents, please enter the building through the Grant Avenue entrance (double doors facing Piney Branch Pool) to drop off and pick up your children. For security purposes, these doors will open at 7:00 a.m. and will be the only doors open to the main level of the building at this time. (For any questions about this, please contact Lew McAllister at LewM@takomagov.org or call 240-676-6611.) The Police Department is always open. (Acting City Manager)

3. Site Plan Meeting for 6450 New Hampshire Avenue on November 10: Plans have been submitted to M-NCPPC to develop the parcel at 6450 New Hampshire Avenue in Takoma Park into a 2-story commercial structure with a proposed laundromat and dry cleaning facility. The project architect will be holding a meeting at 10:00 am, Saturday, November 10 at the property to discuss the proposed Site Plan. (Housing and Community Development)

4. Montgomery County BRT Community Meeting on November 13: The Montgomery County Planning Department is working on a bus rapid transit (BRT) network for the county, including a proposed line on New Hampshire Avenue. County planners will be discussing the plan at community meetings, starting November 13, 6:30 pm-9:00 pm, at Montgomery Blair High School, 51 University Boulevard East, Silver Spring. To learn more about the project and other community meetings, see www.montgomeryplanning.org/transportation/highways/brt.shtm. (Housing and Community Development)

5. The Big Screen: Join us on Tuesday, November 13 at 4:00 p.m. when Dave Burbank will share comics on the 'big screen'. No registration necessary – all kids are welcome! (Library)

6. Scribbler's Cabal: On Saturday, November 17, Dave will preside at Scribbler's Cabal from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Young artists are invited to share ideas and inspiration. Please pre-register. (Library)

7. Tribal Traditions: On Monday, November 19, Tomas Eaglebear and family members will showcase his tribal traditions. This annual program is a family favorite, and includes dances, songs and stories. No registration necessary. (Library)

8. Winter Break Camp - Register Today!: Parents have you decided on what to do with your little bundles of joy during the winter vacation? Not yet? Well, the Takoma Park Recreation Department is inviting you to "Winter Wonderland." This 3-day winter break camp will allow you to add some excitement to your child's holiday. Participants will enjoy games, crafts and holiday fun at the Community Center. Children should bring a non-perishable lunch each day. Open to ages 5 - 11 years and runs from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Thursday, and Fridays, December 26 - 28. Before and Aftercare is also available. Only \$85 for Takoma Park residents...sign up today! For additional information, please contact the Recreation Department at (301)891-7290. (Recreation)

9. Exterior Home Repair Program - Request for Proposals: The City is seeking a firm and/or individuals to provide exterior repairs on 20-25 single family homes for a new Exterior Home Repair Program that will take place during the spring and summer of 2013. The deadline for filing is December 17, 2012. Interested parties can go to the city's website to access the Request for Proposals at <https://s3.amazonaws.com/hcd-takomapark/public/RFP/RFP-13-5800-01-exterior-home-repair.pdf>. (Housing and Community Development)

10. Bikeways Open House: City Staff hosted a small Open House at the Takoma Park Community Center on Thursday, November 8, to discuss minor enhancements to signed bike routes, and updates to the regional bike map at New Hampshire Avenue and Sligo Creek Parkway. Community input is still requested for these projects. See <http://theNewAve.com/explore/bike> (<http://thenewave.com/explore/bike>) to learn more about the proposed bikeways improvements and share your ideas via the New Ave Facebook or email ErkinO@takomagov.org. (Housing and Community Development)

11. Library Holiday Closings: The Library and Computer Center will be closed on Monday, November 12, for Veteran's Day. Parents will need to be sure they have an alternate place for their kids to go after school – as it is a 'half-day' of school. (Library)

12. Teen Fitness Program Going Well!: On Mondays and Wednesdays at Takoma Park Recreation Center, Teen Fitness is offered. The program is for ages 12-17 and assists in agility, flexibility and strength. The teens are excited to test their skills with center fitness guru, Cedric Brickley. Classes are held at 6:00 p.m. For more information, contact John Webster at 301-891-7289 or johnw@takomagov.org. (Recreation)

13. Kids Night Out has Another Good Night!: Kids Night Out had another rousing event. Youth ages 6-12 came to Takoma Park Recreation Center on Friday, November 2, to participate in activities such as Kickball, Wii, Foosball and Table Tennis. Everyone had a wonderful time. For more information, contact John Webster at 301-891-7289 or johnw@takomagov.org. (Recreation)

14. Seniors Vote: The Takoma Park Recreation Department provided a much needed service for seniors on Tuesday, November 6. Dozens of seniors from Franklin Apartments and Victory Tower senior housing complexes traveled comfortably to the polls by Recreation Bus to vote. (Recreation)

15. Estate Planning for Seniors: Sixteen seniors attended the Legacy Planning Legal Services Workshop on Wednesday, November 7, at the Takoma Park Community Center. Speakers Kate Lang, from the Maryland Legal Aid Program, and LaVerne Ross, the Advance Planning Counselor, supplied seniors with information about wills, living wills, power-of-attorney, and advance funeral planning. The free legal aid workshop was very popular and another workshop is planned for Spring 2013. (Recreation)

16. Morning & Afternoon Addition Program - Monday, November 12: On Monday, November 12, the City of Takoma Park will be observing the Veterans Day Holiday so all offices will be closed. However, Montgomery County Public Schools will be open and so will the Morning & Afternoon Addition program. Parents, please enter the building through the Grant Avenue entrance (double doors facing Piney Branch Pool) to drop off for Morning Addition and to pick up during Afternoon Addition. For security purposes, these doors will open at 7:00 a.m. and will be the only doors open during this time. For any questions or concerns, please contact Lew McAllister at LewM@takomagov.org or call 240-676-6611. (Recreation)

17. Crime Report: The most recent Takoma Park Police Weekly Crime Report (November 2-8, 2012) may be viewed online at http://cathylevy.blogspot.com/2012/11/takoma-park-police-department-weekly_8.html. (Police)

18. Traffic Enforcement: Officers conducted at least 99 traffic stops, which resulted in citations, one vehicle impound and one Driving Under the Influence (DUI) arrest from traffic.

During November 2-8, 2012, the following details were completed:

November 2, 2012

- Flower Avenue & Garland Avenue (stop sign enforcement) – conducted a 60-minute detail and issued four State citations.

November 4, 2012

- Kirklynn Avenue & New Hampshire Avenue (seat belt enforcement) - conducted a 30-minute detail and issued seven State citations and seven warnings.

November 6, 2012

- Maple Avenue & Hilltop Avenue (do not enter sign enforcement) - conducted a 60-minute detail and issued no citations or warnings.

November 7, 2012

- Hilltop Avenue & Geneva Avenue (do not enter sign enforcement) - conducted a 90-minute detail and issued five State citations and four warnings.
- Flower Avenue & Geneva Avenue (stop sign enforcement) - conducted a 60-minute detail and issued five State citations and one warning.
- New Hampshire Avenue & East West Highway (red light enforcement) - conducted a 30-minute detail and issued two State citations and one warning.
- New Hampshire Avenue & Holton Lane (red light and no left turn/u-turn enforcement) - conducted a 60-minute detail and issued two State citations and one warning.
- Flower Avenue & Garland Avenue (stop sign enforcement) - conducted a 60-minute detail and issued three State citations.

November 8, 2012

- Ritchie Avenue & Maple Avenue (no right turn enforcement) - conducted a 30-minute detail and issued no citations or warnings.
- Hilltop Avenue & Geneva Avenue (do not enter sign enforcement) - conducted a 90-minute detail and issued four State citations and five warnings.
- Flower Avenue & Garland Avenue (stop sign enforcement) - conducted a 30-minute detail and issued one State citation and one warning.
- Hilltop Avenue & Geneva Avenue (do not enter sign enforcement) - conducted a 30-minute detail and issued one State citation. (Police)

19. Traffic Officer Stats (Pfc. Walter Smith):

Week November 6-8, 2012

State citations: 18

Calls for service: 9

Reports: 2

Safety Equipment Repair Order (SERO): 2

Warnings issued: 14

Field Investigative Reports (FIRs): 2
(Police)